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ASSISTANT ON DEA WESTCHESTER TASK FORCE
CHARGED BY FEDERAL AUTHORITIES WITH THEFT OF MONEY

DAVID N. KELLEY, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York; GLENN A. FINE, the Inspector General of the Department of Justice; KAREN P. TANDY, the Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration, announced that DINA MARIE D'IORIO was charged today in White Plains federal court with taking approximately \$108,760 from the Drug Enforcement Administration evidence room.

According to the Complaint filed today, from about September 2, 2004, through about September 7, 2004, D'IORIO, an office assistant, took approximately \$108,760 from the non-drug evidence room of the Westchester Task Force in the Drug Enforcement Administration offices at 140 Grand Street, White Plains, New York.

The Complaint alleges that after a seizure of money as

part of a Westchester Task Force investigation, the cash seized was secured and identified with a numbered evidence tag. The Complaint also alleges that within the next few days, the evidence tag was removed and replaced with another one after a portion of the cash was removed from the evidence bag. The Complaint further alleges that D'IORIO entered the non-drug evidence room during the Labor Day weekend and that approximately \$108,760 was recovered from her home where it had been hidden.

D'IORIO was scheduled to be arraigned this afternoon before United States Magistrate Judge MARK D. FOX.

Mr. KELLEY praised the Westchester County Department of Public Safety for its assistance.

D'IORIO faces the following penalties, if convicted:

U.S. Code Title/Section	No. of Counts	Offense Description	Maximum Penalties
18 U.S.C. §641	1	Embezzle- ment	10 yrs.' imprisonment; fine in amount of greatest of \$250,00, twice gross gain, or twice gross loss to victims; 3 yrs. S.R.; \$100 SA; restitution.

Assistant United States Attorney MARIA A. BARTON is in charge of the prosecution.

The charge in the Complaint is merely an accusation,
and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven
guilty.

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